

REMARKS

Applicant amended the specification to include the subject matter of claims 19, 44, 70, 97, 140, 191, 231, 272, 316, 364, and 418 as originally filed in Application No. 09/022,293, which is incorporated by reference in the present application on page 1, lines 6-9 and from which the present application claims priority.¹ MPEP § 2163(I)(B) provides that "[t]he claims as filed in the original specification are apart of the disclosure and, therefore, if an application as originally filed contains a claim disclosing material not found in the remainder of the specification, the applicant may amend the specification to include the claimed subject matter." (MPEP § 2163(I)(B), page 2100-161, col. 2 (February 2003)).

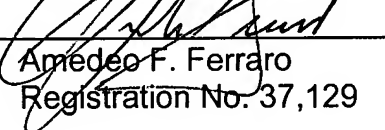
Entry and consideration of this Amendment prior to the examination of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account 50-1066.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ "Polyglyconate" contained a typo in the '293 application as recognized by the Examiner during the prosecution of the '293 application. Applicant corrected the typo following the Examiner's observation.